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**County of Los Angeles Department of Mental Health
Announces Launch of Community-Based Web Site
Network of Care for Mental Health, May 22**
(<http://losangeles.networkofcare.org/mh>)

LOS ANGELES (Mon., May 22, 2006) – County of Los Angeles Department of Mental Health Director Marvin J. Southard, D.S.W. and Trilogy Integrated Resources LLC President Bruce Bronzan joined Los Angeles area community-based providers and organizations and elected officials representatives in launching the community-based site, Network of Care for Mental Health, at a special ceremony held at the Department of Mental Health headquarters.

The Network of Care for Mental Health is an online one-stop center that features a service directory, library, legislation, links, insurance, and support & advocacy sections. The site is fully ADA-compliant and Bobby approved. The Network of Care for Mental Health is also available in multiple languages.

Service Directory - Provides a comprehensive directory of community-based service providers located throughout the State of California. The directory has contact information for behavioral health and support services provided by schools, clinics, hospitals, research foundations, and other community-based organizations.

Library - Through a partnership with Healthwise, Inc., the Network of Care for Mental Health provides information on more than 4,000 topics including information on health conditions, specific disorders, medical tests and procedures, medications, and every day health and wellness issues.

Legislation - Provides a tracking system to follow the progress of pending state and federal legislation. The website allows the users to receive e-mail alerts and communicate with lawmakers' offices.

Links - Provides information on government programs and non-profit organizations that specialize in behavioral health issues.

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Insurance - Provides information about health coverage and plans, insurance carriers, and a variety of low-cost insurance programs.

Support & Advocacy - Provides information on organizations that provide support to individuals and families living with mental illness, substance abuse or developmental disabilities as well as presenting a voice of advocacy. The website's "Emergency Services" section provides crisis information and referrals for children, adolescents and adults.

Another service category on the Network of Care for Mental Health site is a "My Folder" section where service providers can share challenges and ideas. Agencies and community-based providers can utilize the company's private message boards in addition to creating their own websites. The website's "News" section provides current world, national and state news clips and other information about mental health and substance abuse issues, and public policy.

The Network of Care for Mental Health website was created, developed and maintained by Trilogy Integrated Resources LLC of San Rafael, Calif. The company has launched five other websites including Network of Care for Seniors and People with Disabilities that presently serve one-third of California's population and the entire State of Oregon; Network of Care for Kids (ages 0-5); Network of Care for Children and their Families (ages 0-18); Network of Care for Developmental Disabilities; and Network of Care for Domestic Violence. Trilogy is also developing a Network of Care website for substance abuse.

The Network of Care for Mental Health website is sponsored by the Mental Health Services Act (formerly known as Proposition 63) in partnership with the California Department of Mental Health.

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